

Solve by substitution:

$$\begin{cases} 5x - 3y = -2 \\ 10x - y = 1 \end{cases}$$

Solve $10x - y = 1$ for y :

$$\begin{array}{r} 10x - y = 1 \\ -10x \quad -10x \end{array}$$

$$-y = 1 - 10x$$

$$\frac{-y}{-1} = \frac{1}{-1} - \frac{10x}{-1}$$

$$y = -1 + 10x \quad \text{or} \quad y = 10x - 1$$

Substitute $y = -1 + 10x$ into $5x - 3y = -2$.

$$5x - 3(-1 + 10x) = -2$$

$$5x + 3 - 30x = -2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -25x + 3 = -2 \\ -3 \quad -3 \end{array}$$

$$-25x = -5$$

$$\frac{-25x}{-25} = \frac{-5}{-25}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{5}$$

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Put $x = \frac{1}{5}$ into either equation.

Put $x = \frac{1}{5}$ into $10x - y = 1$.

$$\frac{10}{1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - y = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 - y = 1 \\ -2 \quad -2 \end{array}$$

$$-y = -1$$

$$\frac{-y}{-1} = \frac{-1}{-1}$$

$$y = 1$$

Solution is $\left(\frac{1}{5}, 1\right)$.

Check it:

$$5x - 3y = -2$$

$$5\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - 3(1) = -2$$

$$1 - 3 = -2$$

$$-2 = -2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$10x - y = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{5}, y = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{10}{1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - 1 = 1$$

$$2 - 1 = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

4.3: Solving systems by the elimination/addition method:

Steps for solving by elimination/addition:

- 1) Choose a variable to eliminate. Then multiply one or both equations by a strategic number, so that when you add the equations, the variable will disappear.
(Look for the Least Common Multiple of the coefficients)
- 2) Add the equations. One variable should disappear.
- 3) Solve for the remaining variable.
- 4) Either (a) Repeat Steps 1-3 for the other variable,
or
(b) Plug your value into either equation and solve.
- 5) Check your solution.

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Ex: Solve the system using the elimination method (addition method).

$$\begin{cases} 11x - 5y = 2 \\ 3x - y = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 11x - 5y = 2 & \longrightarrow & 11x - 5y = 2 \\ 3x - y = 1 & \xrightarrow{(-5)} & -15x + 5y = -5 \\ \hline \text{Add:} & & -4x + 0 = -3 \end{array}$$

$$-4x = -3$$

$$\frac{-4x}{-4} = \frac{-3}{-4}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4}$$

Could plug $x = \frac{3}{4}$ into either equation,
or do elimination again to get 2nd variable:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 11x - 5y = 2 & \xrightarrow{(-3)} & -33x + 15y = -6 \\ 3x - y = 1 & \xrightarrow{(11)} & 33x - 11y = 11 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\text{Add: } 0 + 4y = 5$$

$$4y = 5$$

$$\frac{4y}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$y = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow$$

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Solution
is $\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}\right)$

Previous example cont'd:

Check your answer:

$$11x - 5y = 2$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4}, y = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow 11\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - 5\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = 2$$

$$\frac{33}{4} - \frac{25}{4} = 2$$

$$\frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$3x - y = 1$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4}, y = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \frac{5}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{9}{4} - \frac{5}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{4}{4} = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \checkmark$$

Ex:
Solve the system by elimination.

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$$\begin{cases} -5x + 2y = -6 \\ 7y + 10x = 34 \end{cases}$$

(done in class)

See previous semesters' notes.

Ex. Solve the system:

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$$\begin{cases} -x + 6y = 2 & \xrightarrow{(3)} -3x + 18y = 6 \\ 3x - 18y = 5 & \xrightarrow{\quad} \underline{3x - 18y = 5} \\ \text{Add:} & 0 + 0 = 11 \\ & 0 = 11 \end{cases}$$

False!

False statement,

so **No Solution**

(lines are parallel)

Inconsistent System

Ex. Solve.

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 10y = 6 & \xrightarrow{(5)} 10x - 50y = 30 \\ -5x + 25y = -15 & \xrightarrow{(2)} \underline{-10x + 50y = -30} \\ & 0 + 0 = 0 \\ & 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

True!

True statement, so this is a **dependent system**
(Lines are the same).
Infinitely many solutions

Summary:

4.3.6

1) If both variables disappear and you get a false statement (such as $0=11$ or $5=-6$), the system is inconsistent and has no solution (lines are parallel).

2) If both variables disappear and you get a true statement (such as $0=0$ or $6=6$), the system is dependent and has infinitely many solutions (lines are the same).

3) If you get an ordered pair for a solution, then the system is independent. (lines intersect at one point)